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EXAMINING GROUP 1647
Attorney Docket No. 09487.0001****IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Timothy G. DINAN et al.

Application No.: 09/687,384

Filed: October 13, 2000

For: TREATMENT AND PREVENTION
OF GASTROINTESTINAL
DISEASE USING ANTAGONISTS
OR PARTIAL AGONISTS OF
5HT_{1a} RECEPTORS

Group Art Unit: 1614

Examiner: Donna A. JAGOE

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Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time to reply to the final Office Action of February 26, 2004. A fee of \$110.00 is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW,
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Date: June 28, 2004

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